

May 19, 2011

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
H-101 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 201 – *Garrett County – Vacancy in Office of County Commissioner – Appointment Process*.

This bill alters the procedures for filling a vacancy in an office of county commissioner in Garrett County by requiring the Governor to use procedures required for other commission counties, subject to the requirement that in Garrett County the nominee or appointee reside in the same commissioner district in which the former county commissioner resided.

Senate Bill 253, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 201.

Sincerely,

Governor